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PRESS RELEASE

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Nature of Event: Sign Up For Community Awareness Academy
Location of Event: Placer County Sheriff's Department, Auburn
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SHERIFF EDWARD N. BONNER RELEASES THE FOLLOWING:

Seats are now available for the Placer County Sheriff Department's popular Community Awareness Academy, which offers an inside look at the growing law enforcement agency.

Each Tuesday and Thursday evening from March 4 through March 27, 2008, participants will hear from members of the department's special units and take "field trips" to the Placer County Jail and morgue, 911 dispatch center, as well as the air operations hangar. There will be no class on Thursday, March 20.

Classes will be held in the Community Room at the Placer County Sheriff Department's new headquarters in the Auburn Justice Center, 2929 Richardson Drive, in north Auburn's Dewitt Center. Classes are scheduled from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The academy will kick off with a welcome by top sheriff's administrators and an overview of how the department works.

On subsequent nights, presentations will be made by air operations, Search and Rescue, the bomb squad, the Special Enforcement Team, the marine unit, investigations, hostage negotiators and the drug task force. There will also be a demonstration by members of the K-9 team.

The academy is intended to provide the citizens of Placer County with an overview of the Sheriff Department's functions, policies and procedures, as well as getting them involved in the community. The goal of the academy is to provide a greater awareness and understanding of law enforcement's role in the community. Attendees must be at least 18 years of age.

To reserve a spot, call Community Services Officer Lynn Harrison at (916) 652-2419.